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In response to the Office Action dated February 25, 2004, Applicant responds to the restriction requirement as follows:

In the Restriction Requirement the claims were divided into two groups.

Group I - Claims 1, 5-12 and 16-22, drawn to a label switching system; and

Group II - Claims 2-4 and 13-15, drawn to flooding and/or managing network topology data

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Applicants elect Group I, claims 1, 5-12 and 16-22, for further prosecution on the merits.

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